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SUBJECT: BRV SUSPENDS ANTI-DUMPING RESTRICTION ON U.S.
POLYVINYL CHLORIDE IMPORTS

¶1. (U) Post received the following letter from the BRV's Antidumping and Subsidies Commission (CASS), asking Post to notify four U.S. companies that the antidumping restrictions on their products have expired. According to the Report on Essential Facts provided by CASS, the two products are unmixed polyvinyl chloride obtained through polymerization and emulsion, and unmixed polyvinyl chloride obtained through polymerization and suspension. Post forwarded the report to the U.S. companies mentioned in the CASS letter. Embassy's unofficial translation follows in Para 2:

¶2. (U) Begin Text (Post's Unofficial Translation):

CASS Antidumping and Subsidies Commission
Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Document N 0118/2006
Caracas, 20 of April 2006

Ambassador William Brownfield
Ambassador of the United States of America in Venezuela

I would like to take this opportunity to forward to you the attached document, in conformity with what is stipulated in article 6.9 of the Agreement on the Application of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) (the Anti-Dumping Agreement), the Report on Essential Facts that will serve as a basis for the decision regarding the expiration of the anti-dumping order imposed on the imports of "polyvinyl chloride not mixed with other substances obtained through polymerization and emulsion" and "polyvinyl chloride not mixed with other substances obtained through polymerization in suspension" identified in the Customs Duties of Venezuela under the customs codes that make up subchapters 3904.10.10 and 3904.10.20, respectively, originating and being sent from the United States of America.

The Report on Essential Facts has the goal of informing the parties involved in the investigation, the methodology and sources used in the Definitive Technical Report that will be presented by the Technical Secretary of the Anti-Dumping and Subsidies Commission in order to adopt the decision resulting from the investigation mentioned above.

Therefore, I would like to take the opportunity to request your offices to provide this report to the companies exporting the investigated goods, who are based in the United States of America, identified below, and any other company that the embassy identifies and who would have an interest in the results of this process, reason for which we include, as

part of this notification, four exact copies of this Report on Essential Facts for each company.

The companies identified up until the present date are the following:

- Shintech, INC: 3 Greenway Plaza Ste. 1150, Houston Texas, TX 77046, USA
- Georgia Gulf Corporation: 115 Perimeter Center Place, Ste. 460, Atlanta, GA 30346 USA
- Lonwood Products: 12839 Lovetta Rd. Houston, Texas 77010 USA
- Westlake Chemical Corporation: 2801 Post Oak Blvd. Ste 600, Houston, TX.

For the purposes of this entity, I bring to your attention that these companies have a period of ten (10) calendar days, beginning the day this report is received in order to send their observations to the Technical Secretary. According to the stipulations on the bottom of page number 15 of article 6.1.1. of the Antidumping Agreement, the report will be considered received one week after the date that it was sent to the Embassy of the United States of America in Venezuela.

Without any other matter to reference and reiterating the assurance of my highest esteem,

Sincerely,
(Signature)
Luis Alberto Russian
President

End text.
BROWNFIELD